

layer by CLV (constant linear velocity) operation, said method being carried out in the following manner:

when an individual recorded mark has a time length  $nT$  ( $T$  is the data reference clock period, and  $n$  is an integer within a range of from 3 to 11).

recording light of erasure power  $P_e$ , which is able to crystallize an amorphous-state portion, irradiates inter-mark portions,

for the recorded marks, the time length  $(n-i)T$  is divided into  $\alpha_1 T, \beta_1 T, \alpha_2 T, \beta_2 T, \dots, \alpha_m T, \beta_m T$  (where  $m=n-1$  or  $m=n-2$ ) in this sequence so as to satisfy  $\sum_j (\alpha_j + \beta_j) = n-i$  ( $j$  is a real number within a range of  $0.0 < j < 2.0$ ), and

the recording light of recording power  $P_w$  ( $P_w > P_e$ ), which is able to melt the recording layer within the time length  $\alpha_i T$  ( $1 < i < m$ ), irradiates the recording layer, and the recording light of bias power  $P_b$  ( $0 < P_b < 0.5 P_e$ ) within the time length  $\beta_i T$  ( $1 < i < m$ ) the recording layer to overwrite; and

when a linear velocity within a range of 1.2 m/s to 1.4 m/s is the reference velocity (1-times velocity) and 231 ns (ns) is a reference clock period,

for the 4-times velocity,  $\alpha_i =$  from 0.3 to 1.5,  $\alpha_i =$  from 0.2 to 0.7 ( $2 < i < m$ ),  $\alpha_i + \beta_{i-1} =$  from 1 to 1.5 ( $3 < i < m$ ),

for the 1- or the 2-times velocity,  $\alpha_i =$  from 0.05 to 1.0,  $\alpha_i =$  from 0.05 to 0.5 ( $2 < i < m$ ),  $\alpha_i + \beta_{i-1} =$  from 1 to 1.5 ( $3 < i < m$ ), and

for any of 6-, 8-, 10- and 12-times velocities,  $\alpha_i =$  from 0.3 to 2,  $\alpha_i =$  from 0.3 to 1 ( $2 < i < m$ ),  $\alpha_i + \beta_{i-1} =$  from 1 to 1.5 ( $3 < i < m$ );

and wherein for any of the described linear velocity in use,

$m$  is constant,